Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)
Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)
October 2006 Flooding Event
SITUATION REPORT # 5

As of 1400 hours 11 October 2006

WEATHER

Forecast: <u>Wednesday</u>: Partly cloudy with a high near 75. Northeast wind at 7 mph becoming southeast. Chance of precipitation is 10%. <u>Wednesday night:</u> Partly cloudy with a low around 60. East wind at 5 mph becoming southerly. Chance of precipitation is 20%. <u>Thursday:</u> A chance of thunderstorms after 1pm. Mostly cloudy with high near 74. West wind between 3 and 8 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%. New rainfall amounts less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in western and northern VA.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation:

Virginia Emergency Operations Center augmented with limited staff. Coordinated resource requests from localities and conference calls with selected State Agencies. Monitoring local situations and National Weather Service forecast and advisories and notifying appropriate localities.

State of Emergency:

At 1540 hours on 9 October Governor Timothy Kaine declared a State of Emergency due to storms and flooding in Central and Southeast Virginia.

Protective Actions:

EOC Activations:

- Surry County, closed at 1700, 8 October
- Sussex County closed at 1700, 8 October
- Isle of Wight County, open from 0700 to 2300 hours
- James City County, closed at 2100 hours, 7 October
- Prince George County, closed at 1600 hours, 7 October
- City of Franklin, opened at 0400 hours, 9 October

Local Emergency Declared:

- Surry County: 7 October
- Sussex County: 7 October
- Isle of Wight County: 7 October
- James City County: 7 October
- Southampton County: 9 October
- City of Franklin: 9 October

Evacuations:

- City of Richmond Closed at 1000 hours with no one sheltered.
- Sussex County 45 people evacuated; 1 shelter open with 3 sheltered in hotel.
 Shelter now closed.
- Isle of Wight County 40 people evacuated; 1 shelter opened at 1100 hours assisted 5 people and closed at 1740 hours.
- James City County 25 people evacuated and no shelter open.
- Surry County opened shelter on 7 October. Shelter closed due to no residents.
- City of Franklin 200 people evacuated; 1 shelter open, assisting approximately
 28 people at Franklin High School.
- Southhampton County- 45 evacuated, Sheltering with family and friends

OPERATIONS SECTIONS

State Warning Point: Monitoring National Weather Service River Forecast Center advisories and National Weather Service forecasts. The Blackwater River was at 21.6 feet as of 1400 11 October 2006. The Blackwater River is slowly receding and is forecast to continue to fall to a stage of 14.1 feet by 14.1 by Sunday which is two feet above flood stage.

Local Liaison: Initial Damage Assessments are being sought from all local communities affected and State Agencies. Two VDEM Local Support Services Regional Coordinators are on scene in the City of Franklin assisting the local government.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

Public Safety & Security: Virginia State Police Staff on extended hours with additional staff on call. Occupied with road closures and re-routing. VSP Swift Water Rescue Team is standing by to support the City of Franklin with evacuations. In coordination with VDGIF continuing patrols in flooded areas of the city.

Public Health and Medical Services (ESF-8) Department of Health/Chief Medical Examiner has confirmed two storm related fatalities in Poquoson. Once the Zuni water treatment plant is operational, the Department of Health will issue a boil water notice for customers of the Zuni water system.

Hazardous Materials (ESF 10): Hazmat spill has been contained. Remaining fuel has been transferred to another tank. Contractor has started cleanup of spilled product

HUMAN SERVICES BRANCH

Mass Care (ESF 6): American Red Cross (ARC) continues to assist DSS shelter operations in the City of Franklin.

INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH

Transportation (ESF 1): 3 Primary roads (58 Business in Franklin, Route 460 Ivor to Zuni, and 189 between 666 and 258) and 54 secondary roads closed. Assisting localities with signage and making necessary repairs.

LOGISTICS SECTION

Resource Support (ESF 7): In addition to previously reported missions, monitoring Surry County situation involving five families denied egress from community due to washed out bridge.

LONG TERM COMMUNITY RECOVERY AND MITIGATION

Recovery and Mitigation (ESF 14): Discussion with FEMA staff at the JFO has determined that any jurisdiction declared under T/S Ernesto that received damages from the rain/flooding event last weekend must submit a new Initial Damage Assessment. Damages cannot be added to Ernesto as the incident period for Ernesto has closed.

Initial Damage Assessment Report:

| Locality | <u>Private</u> | <u>Public*</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| York County | N/A | \$72,500 |
| Hopewell, City of | N/A | \$10,000 |
| Poquoson, City of | \$105,000 | \$39,500 |
| James City County | \$602,355 | N/A |
| Suffolk, City of | N/A | <i>\$114,831</i> |
| Franklin, City of | No Report | No Report |

| Surry County Southampton County Isle of Wight County | No Report No Report \$500,000 | No Report No Report \$200,000 |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Totals | \$1,207,355 | \$436,831 |
| State Agencies | | Public* |
| VDOT | | \$4,375,000 |
| Totals | | \$4,375,000 |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$1,470,355 | \$4,611,831 |

NOTE: Several areas remain under water and assessments will be made when sites are available.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Public Information (ESF 15): Governor Kaine and Secretary of Public Safety Marshall toured Franklin 10 October. Continuing to respond to Media, Public and Legislative inquiries. Marc Lafontaine photographed damage. Continuing to monitor media reports. PIO Support offered to City of Franklin PIO, Declined.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

- City of Franklin: The US ARMY Corp of Engineers provided 8000 sandbags for the City. The City, as well
 as private concerns, have boats on standby for possible rescue operations. Emergency personnel remain on
 standby.
- Chesterfield County and City of Chesapeake supporting Franklin through SMA.
- City of Newport News assisted with hazardous materials incident.

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